

HARDING MUST MAKE DECISION ON GENOA MEET

Hughes Flatly Against Participation of U. S. in Economic Conference.

By GEORGE R. HOLMES.
International News Service.
Adjournment of the armament conference brought the Administration today squarely up against the task of making public a decision as to whether the United States will or will not participate in the Genoa economic conference next month. Every indication points to non-participation by the United States, although Administration spokesmen were less vigorous today, than heretofore in assigning reasons why this Government should not take part in the meeting. The matter has been discussed at several Cabinet meetings, and will likely be given a thorough overhauling again at today's session. Sentiment in the Cabinet itself and

in the Senate is well-nigh overwhelming against the Government's taking a full part in the Genoa meeting. Even those who hold such widely divergent views on international policies as Secretary of State Hughes and Secretary of the Interior A. B. Fall, one of the old Senate "irreconcilables," find a common ground on which to stand with regard to the Genoa meeting. That should stay out.

PAN-AMERICAN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE DISCUSSED

Plans for the Pan-American conference of women, called by the National League of Women Voters for next April, were discussed at a tea this afternoon given at the home of Mrs. Gifford Pinchot, 1615 Rhode Island avenue northwest. The conference will be held in Baltimore and women delegates representing every country of Latin America, will mingle for the first time with American women in a political way. Questions affecting women's interests of the two great American continents will be discussed.

Boston Man Gets Plum.

Irving F. Wixon, of Boston, was sworn in today as assistant commissioner-general of immigration. Wixon has been connected with the Bureau of Immigration since 1907. He succeeds Alfred Hampton, who has been assigned to San Francisco and Seattle.

MAX EASTMAN DENIES ACTRESS KILLED HERSELF

Friends Say Miss Deshon and He Had Row—Chaplin Knew Gas Victim.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Max Eastman, radical editor and writer, denied yesterday that a quarrel over his impending departure for Europe was responsible for the death of his friend, Florence Deshon, beautiful and well-known film actress. Miss Deshon was discovered by friends Friday evening unconscious. She was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital, where Dr. Charles McKenna called five other physicians and a determined effort was made to save her life. Max Eastman, known as a devoted friend of Miss Deshon for the past five years, was called to the hospital. Saturday morning the physicians decided a blood transfusion might save the beautiful young actress's life. Eastman, who was waiting in

What's Doing Today and Tomorrow

TODAY.

Meeting—North Carolina Society of Washington, Wilson Normal School, Eleventh and Harvard streets northwest, 8 p. m.
Meeting—National Delta Tau Delta Club, 113 Massachusetts avenue northwest, 8 p. m.
Dance—The Louisiana Society of Washington, at the Washington Club, 1701 K street northwest, 8 p. m.
Meeting—The regular meeting of the Headquarters Camp, 171, N. C. N., at the Confederate Memorial Home, 730 P. m.
February meeting, Columbia Heights Citizens Association, St. Stephens Hall, 1404 Fourteenth Street Northwest, 8 p. m.
Dance—Catholic Women's Service Club, Catholic Community House, 601 E Street, 8 p. m.

The room, offered his blood. The transfusion was made, and Mr. Eastman remained in the hospital to await results. The battle for her life ended Saturday evening with Eastman and his sister, Chrystal Eastman (Mrs. Walter Fuller) at her bedside. "Death Accidental." Eastman, when asked about the alleged love affair yesterday at his home, 21 St. Luke's street, refused to comment. He was feeling weak, partly from the shock of the death and partly from the loss of blood. He would answer no questions, but gave out the following statement: "Miss Deshon was a dear friend. I am sure her death was accidental. I do not know the slightest reason why she should commit suicide. I understand that no one has found or received any letter, to indicate such a thing. "I was about to start for Europe to attend the Genoa conference and had expected to sail next week. I am perfectly sure, as are her friends, that her death was accidental." Friends of the couple insist that the friendship between Eastman and Miss Deshon was rudely broken recently. Persons living at No. 120 West Eleventh street tell of a recent quarrel between them when Eastman called at her apartments. Three scores of friends attended funeral services yesterday for Miss Deshon. Eastman was at the services. They were conducted by the Rev. George Russell, of the Puritan Church. Floral pieces banked the casket of the actress.

Girl Was Despondent. Friends at the funeral still were inclined to regard her death as accidental. They scouted the theory of suicide. However, Miss Deshon, they said, had been despondent prior to her death from gas fumes. It was said she had not been happy in films and was discouraged over her prospects. She had been found unconscious in her Greenwich Village apartment early Friday. A gas jet in her room had been turned on the night before. Robert W. Chandler, Mary Aletta Crump, Frank Moller, Benedita Kinne, Clemence Randolph, Alice Carroll, Marjorie Delmaine and Thyra Von Ulme were among her friends who sent floral tributes.

**ARMY OFFICERS
EXPECTED TO BE
CUT DOWN 800**

That Number May Be Retired By Pershing's Efforts to Gain Efficiency.

Before Congress adjourns its regular session legislation, supported by the War Department, will undoubtedly be sought which will authorize the retirement, "honorably and with appreciation of services," of between 700 and 800 regular army officers. Under stress of necessity during the latter war-time days many officers were promoted who lacked 100 per cent efficiency, according to the War Department officials, and this must be remedied. The plan already broached by General Pershing, chief of staff, to the House Military Affairs Committee, is expected to take the form of a bill draft for presentation to both Houses of Congress at any early date. General Pershing believes that the U. S. Army should have the benefit of the most efficient officers available, and the peacetime promotion conditions, the War Department officials, will be vigorously prosecuted by him. Today there are practically no second lieutenants in the regular army. "This condition cannot prevail," said General Pershing. "There have been too rapid promotions. Army officers must be proficient, but there are degrees of efficiency, and the American army must have the best. General Pershing is adamant in his determination that under existing conditions the United States army must not be less than 150,000 men, well officered. If Congress favors the proposed legislation a shake-up all along the line of officers will be made.

DEATHS.
MRS. SADIE H. JOHNSON.
The Rev. Charles E. McAllister, rector of St. Matthew's Parish, Prince Georges county, Md., yesterday officiated at the funeral of Mrs. Sadie H. Johnson, who died last Friday at her home, 73A Bates street northwest. Interment was in Fort Lincoln Cemetery, Bladensburg road. Mrs. Johnson was seventy-eight years old. She was the wife of late Jerome V. Johnson, who, until his death about two months ago, was justice of the peace at Bladensburg, Md., and a power in Maryland politics.

BIRTHS.
VENEDIA—Thomas F. and Mary, girl.
LIPITT—Thomas F. and Helen H., boy.
STUBBS—Burns A. and Edna M., girl.
GILLEY—George and Winifred, boy.
OLEY—William A. and Mary S., boy.
ADAMS—Thomas E. and Myrtle L., girl.
DONNELLY—James E. and Katherine M., boy.
MURDOCK—Joseph H. and Anna, boy.
HENRY—Irady A. and Grace, boy.
MORAN—Martin A. and Annie E., boy.
YORST—William H. and Caroline L., girl.
SNYDER—Carl F. and Francis E., girl.
McVEY—James H. and Ellen T., girl.
STUCKEY—Robert A. and Mary G., girl.
VENTURA—Mario and Juanita M., boy.
BURGESS—Henry S. and Kathaleen M., girl.
MULVILL—James A. and Nellie E., boy.
Boy.
CHANAKAS—James and Helen, boy.
GORS—Edwin M. and Blanche M., boy.
MORAN—Joseph A. and Cora R., girl.
WOLCOTT—Carl H. and Emma F., boy.
L. William and Katie, boy.
GREGG—William and Mary, boy.
PARRAN—William H. and Laura, girl.
DAYENPORT—Frank and Rebekah, girl.
LEWIS—Jordan N. and Rodellar, boy.
JOSEPH—Robert A. and Grace, boy.
MYLES—Joseph and Louise, boy.
DAVIS—Charles and Lavina, boy.
CLARK—William E. and Esteline C., boy.
CANTY—Henry and Virginia, boy.
SCHUBER—Abel and Grace, boy.
PROCTOR—Laurence and Helen, boy.
BROOKS—Arthur and Ruth, boy.
CLARK—Dellie and Sally, boy.

MARRIAGES.
SHUMAKER-CULLIN—Francis M., 51, and Elizabeth, 40. The Rev. Charles E. McAllister, officiating. The bride, Miss E. M. Cullin, of Richmond, Va. The Rev. W. M. Moser, officiating. VITALI-ZANIRALI—Stefano, 26, and Ida, 19, both of Dunmore, Pa. The Rev. C. M. Comer, officiating. THORNHILL-MILLER—James L., 45, and Nellie, 35, both of Peola, Mo. The Rev. W. W. Johnson, officiating. PEARCE-TUCKER—Charley H., 28, Schenectady, N. Y., and Helen, 28, Water Valley, Miss. The Rev. Harvey Dunham, officiating. SHADLEY-EISEMAN—Ralph H., 27, and Gertrude, 29, both of Meadville, Pa. The Rev. C. G. Thomas, officiating. CAMERON-WATERS—Colin W., 29, Landover, Md., and Lillian E., 29, Brandywine, Md. The Rev. Clovis G. Chappell, officiating. McDANIEL-WOODSON—Maynard B., 30, Lynchburg, Va., and Ruth A., 21, Concord, Va. The Rev. John E. Briggs, officiating. MARTIN-HAWKS—T. Ryan, 24, and Blanche, 23. The Rev. John H. Jeffries, officiating. BELL-RUTHERDALE—William W., 32, and Ole E., 23. The Rev. Charles T. Warner, officiating. HUTCHINSON-GIBSON—Horace P., 44, and Edith E., 44. The Rev. George A. Miller, officiating. O'DONNELL-McPHEE—James H., 42, and Frances, 40. The Rev. J. J. Riordan, officiating. NEMWORTH-PEKOPY—A. Charles, 27, and Anna H., 21. The Rev. Moses A. Herwitz, officiating. FULLER-NEWCOMB—Wayley L., 24, and Sarah E., 18, both of Richmond, Va. The Rev. Titus E. Davis, officiating.

DEATHS.
DOUGLAS—Julia C., 60 yrs., 1632 S. st. nw.
IRWIN—Rebecca, 50 yrs., 1768 Church st. nw.
PRIEST—Emily A., 65 yrs., 2105 13th st. ne.
PARKS—Walter, 28 yrs., St. Elizabeth's hospital.
SWITZER—Frank S., 32 yrs., 2650 Wisconsin ave. nw.
O'CONNOR—Joanna, 79 yrs., 101 2nd st. ne.
McKENNEY—Marion E., 84 yrs., 1422 U. st. ne.
SCHEYER—Richard, 53 yrs., 2111 12th st. nw.
PETROW—Charlotte W., 56 yrs., 1215 Monroe at nw.
PRICE—Edward, 60 yrs., 709 C. st. ne.
PARKS—Charles E., 84 yrs., 1431 Girard at nw.
BROWNE—Charles M., 50 yrs., 1501 Park at nw.
JOHNSON—Sadie H., 78 yrs., 73A Bates st. nw.
ZEGOWITZ—Veronica, 82 yrs., 1231 6th st. nw.
BRENNER—Clarence J., 53 yrs., National Homeopathic hospital.
ROLLINS—Frank A., Jr., 9 mos., Sibby hospital.
DOBBS—James T., 50 yrs., 1218A Half at sw.
WRIGHT—Catherine, 6 mos., 327 10th st. ne.
THOMAS—Evelyn L., 1 hr., 1017 2nd st. ne.
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JAPAN'S PRESS FAILS TO FIND PROFIT IN PACT

Tokyo Paper Says Country Is Put in Danger Without Compensation.

By DUKE N. PARRY.
TOKYO, Feb. 7.—Checking up on the results of the Washington conference from the angle of Japan, the Japanese press and a section of the public fail to see that Japan profited by the meeting proposed by the United States. While the Yozozu Shimbun and the Kokumin are the most outspoken, as is customary, against the United States, there is a disposition even on the part of the Jiji and the Nichi Nichi, two most conservative journals, to doubt the benefits that may come to Japan as a result of the meeting. As an evidence of the feeling of

one section of the public opinion of Japan may be quoted the Yozozu, which says as follows: "As the Washington conference is now drawing to its close, we begin to entertain fears in regard to the future of Japan, nay in regard to the permanent peace of the world. Our fears are all the more intense because of the abstract result of the Washington conference. "For instance, if America had not built her big navy with Japan as the objective there would never have been any need of concerning ourselves about limitations of armaments. But America built one warship after another, thereby menacing Japan and compelling Japan to spend money out of her impoverished treasury. "Japan Worsted. "When Japan was about to have a sufficient naval strength to cope with America, America suddenly summoned the nations to a conference on limitation of armaments. The proposals made in the conference have been made to suit America. The vessels proposed to retain or to scrap are altogether meaningless from the Japanese point of view. For instance, the Mutsu is a battleship already built. Yet America (although it has been reported that she may be retained). This is because she is of the latest type of battleship, and one which can cope with any three battleships of the Maryland type, so we are told. Being thus despoiled, America will not even admit a slight amendment proposed by Japan. "Again regarding the quadruple agreement, while some people maintain that it is an extension of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance and congratulations, saying the peace of the world has been saved, the scope of the agreement is confined to the territorial possessions on the Pacific Ocean. Japan, except for Yap or the other small islands in its neighborhood, which cannot be fortified, has no other territory on the Pacific. "The American possessions in the Pacific have been acquired by aggression or annexation or robbery. Japan will be called upon to protect them for America without any compensation, and she will be obliged to expect for enemies somewhere in the world.

RATTI'S ELECTION WAS ASSURED ON SUNDAY
ROME, Feb. 7.—Cardinal Ratti (now Pope Pius XI) was virtually assured of election on Sunday afternoon and spent all of Sunday awake and in prayer. It was revealed today by the Pope-elect's confidant, or attendant, who was with him in his cell in theistine chapel during the balloting.

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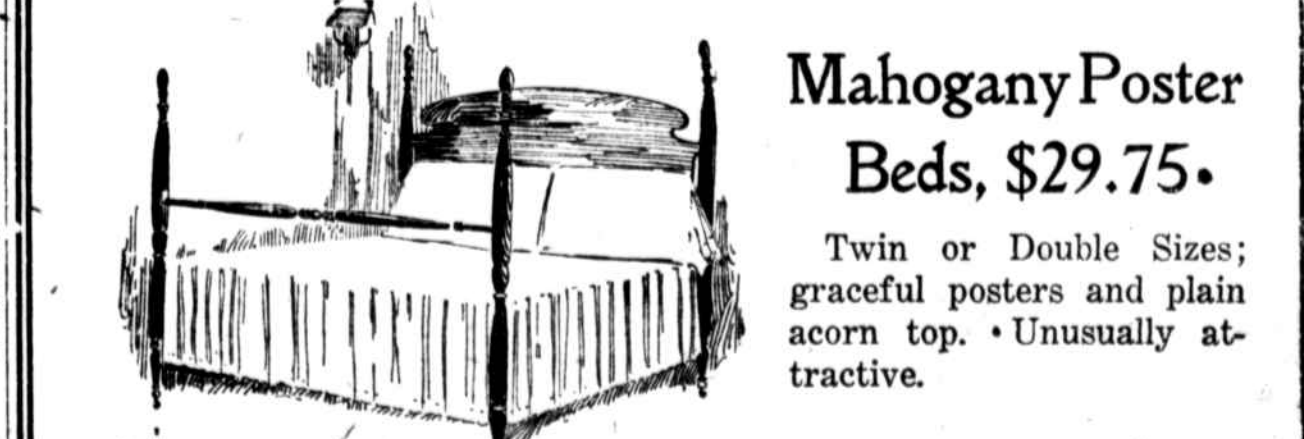
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The better quality of Jersey and the better grade of making; Tuxedo and two-button models; in Heather mixtures....

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Canton Crepe, Crepe de Chine, Satin and Tricotine; beaded and embroidered; the last of immensely popular sellers.

\$9.90

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Just a small lot—closing out the season's stock.

\$1.49

Lingerie Waists
White Madras and Organdy Waists, lace and embroidery trimmed; new, fresh goods.

69c

Children's Bath Robes
About a half dozen; excellent patterns.

98c

Ladies' Dress Girdles
Combination Metal and Celluloid Novelty Girdles.

39c

Ladies' Pure Silk Hose
Black and Cordovan, 3-seam style; slight imperfections. \$1 grade.

59c

Children's Suspender Dresses
All-Wool Plaids; heavy light weight and both weight.

\$2.49

Ladies' Wool Scarfs
In assorted colors and combinations; fringed ends.

69c

Ladies' Brassieres
Flesh color and in the most wanted models.

17c

Ladies' Cloth Coats
Closing out of Winter Coats; Bolivia, Velour, Beldynue, etc., plain and with fur trimmings; tailored and belted; values up to \$20....

\$13.98

Wool Prunella Skirts
An assortment of hand-made plaids, in contrasting colors; box plait models; just what you want for early spring wear.

\$3.98

Ladies' Satine Petticoats
In the desirable colors—with deep flounce.

69c

Ladies' Envelope Chemise
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39c

Outing Flannel Petticoats
Heavy bodied Outing Flannel in excellent patterns.

29c

Ladies' Muslin Petticoats
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39c

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